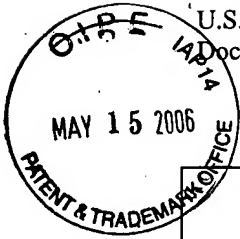


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Responsive to the Official Action dated April 13, 2006, and the telephonic conversation between the Examiner and Applicants' representative, David H. Vance, Applicants elect the species of Examples 1, 87, and 97 (the names and structures are provided in the Remarks).

Remarks begin on page 2 of this paper.